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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: COMBINATIONS OF FORMOTEROL AND FLUTICASONE  
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CLAIM OF PRIORITY UNDER 35 USC §119

Sir:

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby claim priority under the International Convention of British Application No. 9903759.0, filed on February 18, 1999. This application is acknowledged in the Declaration of the instant case.

The certified copy of said application is of record in the parent Application No. 09/930,337 filed on August 15, 2001.

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